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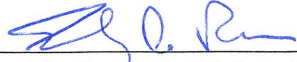
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February 18, 2020

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Honorable Edgardo Ramos
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

The application is X granted
_____ denied



Edgardo Ramos, U.S.D.J
Dated: 2/19/2020
New York, New York

Re: United States v. Rashawn Whidbee
Case No.: 1:19CR673 (ER)

Your Honor:

On February 5, 2020, counsel for Mr. Whidbee was notified that the Attorney General has decided not to seek the death penalty as to Rashawn Whidbee. Accordingly, I write this letter to respectfully request that I be permitted to withdraw as learned counsel for Mr. Whidbee.

Since Mr. Whidbee has retained private counsel and since this case is no longer a capital case within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3005, the appointment of learned capital counsel by this Court is no longer required.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that I be permitted to withdraw as learned counsel from this case.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Bruce D. Koffsky
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cc: All Counsel of Record
Rashawn Whidbee
David Patton

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